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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Stanley Spooner on October 27, 2003. Mr. Spooner contacted the examiner and stated that the Examiner's Amendment with Notice of Allowability, mailed October 15, 2003, did not reflect the wording agreed to during a telephonic conversation on October 7, 2003.

The application has been amended as follows: Please rewrite claim 3 to read:
Claim 3. A compound lens according to claim 1 wherein the front lens element (32, 62, 72) has a rear lens surface (32b, 62b, 72b) and the compound lens has an aperture stop which lies in a plane (40) which intersects the optical axis (42) of the compound lens at the rear lens surface.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Darryl J. Collins whose telephone number is 703-308-6476. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30 - 5:00 Monday - Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Georgia Y. Epps can be reached on 703-308-4883. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

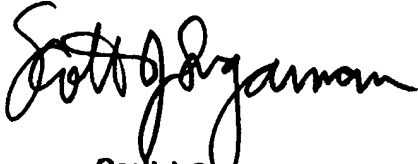
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